

<b>REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111</b>	Attorney Docket	GUID-008CON2
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Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action dated February 25, 2009 for which a three-month period for response was given making this response due on or before May 27, 2009 (May 25, 2009 being a Sunday and May 26, 2009 being a Federal Holiday). A Petition for a two-month extension of time is being filed concurrently herewith to extend the response date to July 25, 2009. In view of the remarks put forth below, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.